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## DITORIALS

**T**HIS week a rumour has been going around the halls that debating is going down in Dalhousie: that it has even gone so far down that the class league has been dropped. What is the matter? Is it because debating is not beneficial? or is it because difficulties have arisen in running the league? If debating is bad, then let it go, and the sooner the better, but if it is beneficial, hold fast to it, don't let a few difficulties down it. Are we going to lose the position which we now hold in inter-collegiate debating because obstacles have arisen? Are we going to let go for naught the labors of those Dalhousians who for the past ten years have fought the uphill struggle in debating? This story perhaps is old to some, but do the students of the first and second years, yea, even do all the students of the third and fourth years know the story of this struggle? If they knew it they would appreciate the fact that we have won the last two annual debates; that at last we are on a level with our neighbors in debating. They would not stand helplessly aside and see debating wane because of a few difficulties, but they would put forth every effort to overcome any obstacles, be they great or small, and put Dalhousie in the forefront in the Maritime Inter-collegiate league.

We call for such an effort from the student body. We ask them to depart from this apathetic state of mind which they at present display towards debating. Look into the matter and see what debating means to Dalhousie and to her students, and boom the debating societies in college.

How can this be done? First, by each faculty taking an interest in the league. See that a team is provided for each debate. When a student is asked to take a debate, let him take

it without hesitation. It is his duty. Let him even make a sacrifice to take it. Nothing is worth gaining which does not call for some sacrifice. Again, when a person says that he will take a debate, let him mean it. Let him prepare his subject and appear at the appointed time, and not be among the missing when the chairman calls the meeting to order, which is the case sometimes. *Such an action is unmanly and dishonest.* Arouse an interest in debating. Let each student do his share by taking part in the debates, by speaking in the general discussion, and especially by attending the weekly meetings.

We especially appeal to the under classes, for they are the hope of the University. They must keep in mind that soon the responsibility will be placed upon their shoulders, and if they wish to acquit themselves honorably and well they must get into the fight at once.

Let us all bend to the task before us. Let each do his part. Co-operate with the officers of "Sodales" and "Arts and Science". Give them your hearty support. Work and sacrifice, not only that another victory may this year be added to our laurels, but also that debating may be better this year than ever before in Dalhousie.

**U**R Dramatic Club is again starting operations preliminary to the putting on of their yearly play. It is pleasing to see that the club is growing and is coming to hold a place in our college life. The Dramatic Club has a rightful place in college, but of all the college societies it is the most liable to occupy the time of its members for a season, to the exclusion of everything else, classes included. This is a danger which should be carefully considered. Those in charge should see to it that they do not demand too much of the members' time, but remember that there are other college activities which require a goodly portion of their time and energy. However, it is only our solicitous regard for the Dramatic Club, as yet only in its infancy, which prompts us to warn it against endangering its existence by over-taxing its energies. We wish the club every success in this year's production.



### The Sagas of the Canadian North.

BALLADS OF A CHEECHAKO. SONGS OF A SOURDOUGH.

By Robert W. Service. Ed. 1909, Toronto, William Briggs.

Two strange little volumes of poems are these—if indeed they may rightly be termed poems. The author, in "L'Envoi" speaks of them as *sagas*, and in truth they strangely resemble the old Norse epics, the legends of the men of the North.

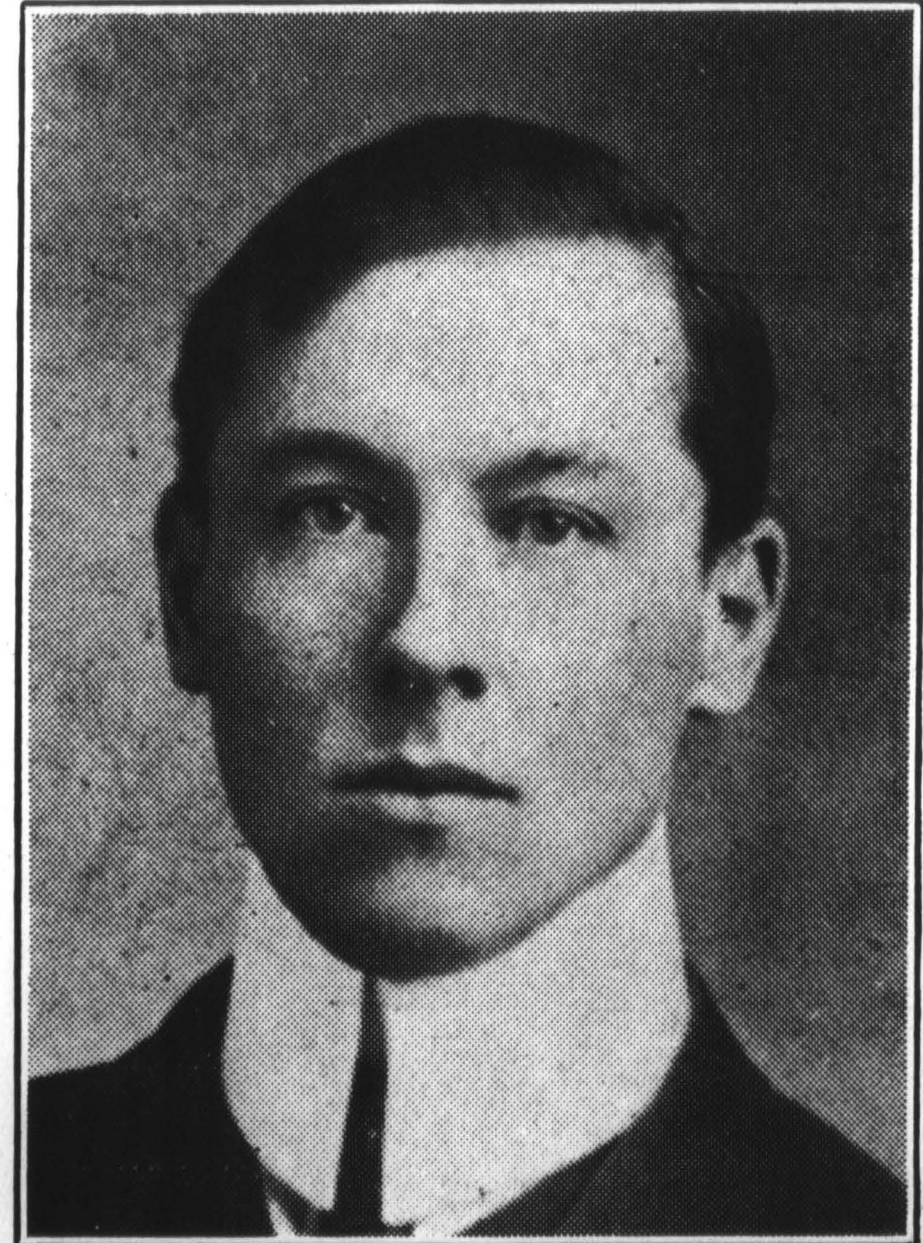
"Little of joy or mirth,  
 "Little of ease, I sing;  
 "Sagas of men of earth,  
 "Humanly suffering - - - -  
 "Husbandmen of the Wild,  
 "Reaping a barren gain;  
 "Scourged by desire, reconciled  
 "Unto disaster and pain.  
 "These my songs are for you,  
 "You who are seared with the brand;  
 "God knows I have tried to be true;  
 "Please God you will understand."

Here, I think, is the secret of these wild, wierd songs, which, if understood, would lead to a fuller, and far more generous interpretation of them.

"*I have tried to be true.*"—You say they are rough and crude, and you shudder as you close the book and pass to something pleasanter. Yes, rough and crude they are, but it is the roughness of

"Big mountains heaved to heaven, which the blinding  
 sunsets blazon,  
 Black canyons where the rapids rip and roar."

True they are crude, but it is the crudeness of the wilds and vastnesses of nature, not yet profaned by the hand of man. The wonderful grandeur of the rugged mountain peaks and their solemn awfulness breathes through them. Sad are they, you say, with a note of desolation ever ringing in their cadences, yes, but it is the sadness of the "Great White Silence"; it is the desolation of



ROBERT W. SERVICE.

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"The white land locked tight as a drum.  
 "The cold fear that follows and finds you,  
 "The silence that bludgeons you dumb,  
 "The snows that are older than history,  
 "The woods where the wierd shadows slant,  
 "The stillness, the moonlight, the mystery."—

It is the sadness of those who look grim despair in the face, and flinch not. Theirs is the ceaseless struggle with the wild; with its cold, that bites to the marrow; with its storms, that scourge like the lash of the slave-driver; and worst of all, with its unbroken silence, that crushes out the life, the silence which in the end makes a madman of the bravest. And even when the struggle is keenest, backed up by the experience of thousands who, in the years gone by, have followed the trail, and beside the trail have found—a grave, comes the realization that

"The Wild must win in the end."

Are they mad, then, who follow this hopeless quest? Is it only the glitter of the gold that lures them on? No. It is the wander lust that grips them, like an evil spirit, stronger far than love of kindred, stronger than fear of death.

Here it is:—

"There's a land where the mountains are nameless,  
 "Where the rivers all run God knows where;  
 "There are lives that are erring and aimless,  
 "And deaths that just hang by a hair;  
 "There are hardships that nobody reckons,  
 "There are valleys unpeopled and still;  
 "There's a land—oh, it beckons and beckons,  
 "And I want to go back—and I will."

Again,

"There's gold, and its haunting and haunting;  
 "Its luring me on as of old;  
 "*Yet it isn't the gold that I'm wanting*  
 "*So much as just finding the gold.*"

To this land—God's land they fondly name it—lured by the ceaseless calling of the wilderness, come those of gipsy-blood, and they come from far and near. There is the man whose home is where the blazing sun beats down on the fluffy white cotton fields, in Tennessee,—the immortal Sam McGee. There is the



warrior, world-famed in the years that are past, who has fallen low, and with his own hand, ends his wretched life, in the haunting stillness of the Yukon. There is Ole Olson, the sailor Swede. There is the Dago Kid, and the man, the wealthiest on earth, who, half-blinded, has followed the dazzling glare of the Northern Lights, until, in a crater on the mountain-tops, he finds and stakes for himself a mine of "the precious stuff that men call radium,"—the source of their radiant glory. There is the parson's son, as he lies alone in his shack, when the days of tracing the streams, and toiling for gold, of dreaming and suffering and sinning, are over at last, and the dark night of death is closing in around him, he sees, in one lurid vision, the whole dreadful past. With these wild utterings on his lips, he passes into the greater silence beyond.

"Come Kit, your pony is saddled, I'm waiting, dear, in the court \* \* "Minnie, you devil, I'll kill you, if you skip with that flossy sport." \* \* How much does it go to the pan, Bill \* \* \* play up, School, and play the game \* \* \* "Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name."

"I have tried to be true."—That is it. The pictures are true, and the truth is not always lovely.

Considering their literary merit alone, these songs occupy a unique place in Canadian verse. The lilt of the lines carries one along, till he feels all the intoxicating excitement of those who crunch the crust with their snow-shoes, as they climb the mountain crest. Of words that are rare but strong, rough and harsh, some of them, in their intensity of meaning, there are not a few. How well they express the thought of the wanderer of the trail, only those who have heard that wanderer tell his story can know. Such are:

"Looting the creeks."

"I scabbled and mucked like a slave."

"We clutched through the gelid gloom."

"With flensing claws."

"The discards of the pack, the fore-loopers of Unrest."

In his facility in coining meaningful compounds, the writer of these ballads recalls the wanderer on another trail, the

dweller in a different wild. Service's power, in this respect can be compared only to Stevenson's. Vivid, keen and forceful, they fittingly tell of the land of naked rock and stately pine-tree; of blood-red sunsets and myriad-hued aurora. Such are:—

"The storm-gored ridges,"

"The crag-locked mere."

"The mighty-mouthed hollow."

"Fungus-white faces."

"The dawn-light dim."

"The peace of the pine-gloom," and numberless others.

Poems they are in the truest sense, in that they express the inexpressible; that they give utterance to what, for many, is a vague, inarticulate longing, a haunting desire for something that is not. How strangely the reader is made to feel the awful oppressiveness of the silence of that land of the midnight sun, "the silence you most could hear." How variously and wonderfully it is expressed.

"I've stood in some mighty-mouthed hollow,

"That's plumb-full of hush to the brim."

"It's the great, big, broad land, way up yonder,

"It's the forests, where silence has lease;

"It's the beauty that thrills me with wonder,

"It's the stillness that fills me with peace."

"Have you known the Great White Silence, not a snow-gemmed twig aquiver?"

"Oh, the awful hush that seemed to crush me down on every hand."

The pines are the

"Sentinels of the stillness lords of the last-lone land."

"With a brilliancy that grew and grew, blazed up the Northern Lights."

"They rolled around with a soundless sound, like softly bruised silk."

But I cease. Pausing to note the splendid power and perfect fitness of the figures; the tang of antiqueness given by the occasional reincarnation of ancient words and forms long dropped from use; the beauty of the oft-times suspended alliteration; the complete correspondence of sound and sense, so that the verse moves now with the swift buoyancy of the wanderer, as he crunches the snow beneath his feet, and one



hears the laughter of the mighty river, as it, too, rushes on towards its goal; and again the metre is sad, almost sullen, like the moaning sound of the wind in the pines; all this tends to obscure, rather than reveal the innate charm of these wierd sagas. After all, their charm is as elusive as the scent of roses; as the silveriness of the moonlight on the garden below me; as the mingled feeling of regret for what is gone, and breathless expectancy of what is yet to come, which pervades everything these September days. Pointing out the beauty of words and phrases does not convey any idea of that charm. It comes only to those who can shut out the myriad sounds of the petty things of men, and listen, for a time, to the clear call from God's Vastness.

Those whose eyes are wearied with looking long at the small things, close at hand, here will find something expressive of illimitable distance, here will discover an enchanted rest, in

"The freshness, the freedom, the farness."

Those in whose ears rings the changeless, unceasing din of the everyday life,

"O can't you hear the wild?—its calling you."

You, to whom life is anything but gladness, and from whom faith is fast giving place to dull despair,

"Have you seen God in his splendours, heard the text that nature renders?"

"(You'll never hear it in the family pew.)"

"The simple things, the true things, the silent men who do things?—"

"Then listen to the wild,—it's calling you."

M. L. S. '10.

### The Technical College Engineering Camp.

The summer camp of the Nova Scotia Technical College was held this year near Blomidon, N. S. Blomidon, that old historic bluff of which Longfellow wrote in Evangeline;

"And away to the northward  
Blomidon rose, and the forests old, and aloft on the mountains  
Sea fogs pitched their tents, and mists from the mighty Atlantic  
Looked on the happy valley, but ne'er from their station descended,"

and which by its defiance to the elements prevents the finest fruit growing part of Eastern America being washed into mud by the Bay of Fundy tides, was soon to be better known by those who attended the camp.

This year, instead of spending our energies in running railroad lines where they were not needed, beginning nowhere in particular and ending in the same place, we devoted our time to an actual survey for a line between Canning and Blomidon. General instructions were received before starting camp as follows:

"To locate a line of railway from a point just west of Canning at what is known as the Miller Crossing, to run northward and eastward through Woodside, Upper Pereaue, Delhaven, Mill Creek, etc., to Cape Blomidon."

In carrying out these instructions sixteen miles of preliminary line was run, with levels, bench-marks and topography over fourteen miles of it, a located line of about nine and one-third miles, with levels and cross-sectioning over the entire distance. To do this it was found necessary to remain in camp nearly four weeks instead of the usual three; but deducting rainy days, of which we had quite a number, the actual time spent in the survey was only three weeks.

Our numbers were smaller than usual on account of several being exempted by practical work outside; but what was lacking in numbers was made up in enthusiasm. Tent No. 5 and their midnight ditties, not to mention Morrison's morning salute, kept all from feeling as if they were in the land of Utopia and brought them back to mother earth again. Walter's rendering of Harry Lauder songs outside the prayer-meeting door, so shocked one of the members of the camp that Bo. went to church the very next Sunday. How such a thing as a cow-bell came to be in camp remained a mystery, but rumour has it that there is a lawsuit pending.

It is difficult to think of the camp of 1910 without recalling apples and barb-wire fences. It seemed that at every few yards there was a barb-wire fence to cross and an orchard to go through, where in spots best known to the engineering parties



*all* the nice juicy apples could be found lying on the ground. It was hard to do justice to the apples though, when we had as good a cook as Abraham to supply the "long felt need" after a six mile tramp in from work after dark.

To the people of the Perea Valley is due, in a large measure, the success of the camp, for their kindness and hospitality were unbounded. It is hoped that next year's camp, wherever it may be held, will be as great a success as the past one.

F. M. D.

### Student Life In Heidelberg.

Heidelberg University is, I suppose, one of the most celebrated in the world, but the number of students attending, something over seventeen hundred, is somewhat small when compared with our large American Universities, and the College buildings are in no way striking or picturesque, being small and entirely without ornate architecture of any description, excepting the fine modern library.

When the Semester is in full swing the University is crowded, and the majority of students are hard at work, but to many of the "corps" students it is not the time for study, but rather for sport and amusement. Of these clubs there are at least ten in number, each having from thirty to fifty members, who appear to spend most of their time in duelling, beer-drinking and other like amusements. To join one of these corps a student must have money and a good social standing, he should be a good duellist or give promise as such, and perhaps above all be in a position to equal his comrades in the matter of beer-drinking, which often amounts to some twenty steins or so a night.

Having been a resident of Heidelberg for over a year I had gained the intimacy of many of these corps students, and was thus allowed to be a frequent onlooker of their duelling contests, which take place during the winter and spring semesters practically every third morning.

These duels are carried on in an old tavern called the Hirschgasse, located in a valley opposite the famous Schloss, on the other side of the river Neckar, which flows through Heidelberg. To give an account of the many duels which I have seen fought out there would be impossible, so I will endeavour to describe without exaggeration the programme of a single morning's fighting during the winter of 1908.

Arriving about 8 o'clock, we were shown by the Hausdiener to a balcony overlooking the fighting room. It was a spacious hall, somewhat double the size of our Munro room, well lighted, and adorned with many old shields and swords of former fighters. The students had already arrived, the two corps contesting that morning for superiority in duelling being the Saxo-Borussians and the Zaringias. These various clubs are distinguished by their brightly coloured caps, somewhat resembling a peaked lobster can stuck on the top of the head. Their manners to each other were most polite, but at the same time they were exceedingly strict, speaking to no one but their own corps comrades.

The students took their places around the fighting square, or lolled on tables and chairs, the never-failing supply of beer, wine and Brotchins being close at hand. In a short time two strange looking individuals were led out from a side room, followed by a couple of surgeons and a crowd of students, who at once made a rush for the vacant seats. The duellists were now below me and I was able to make out their peculiar attire. Thick pads of cane and wadding protected the shoulders and breast, whilst leather bands were strapped around their necks. The eyes were well guarded by a thin steel covering with glass sights, but beyond these safeguards the remaining parts of the head were entirely open to the sword's blows. After a moment's pause the students respectfully saluted their "seconds" and the referee, then one after the other took up their places in the sawdust strewn ring, which was about twelve feet square. They bowed stiffly to each other, and, receiving their swords, which were about three and a half feet long, pointed, and sharp as a razor on both sides, stepped into their positions and waited the word



to begin. Unlike fencing, the combatants are required to stand still and beat off the blows. Everything was now ready, the students stood crowded together in two distinct parties, all gazing with intense interest at the two nervous figures in the square.

The instant the word was given, the two men lifted their swords and with lightning rapidity brought down their weapons, after the manner of broad sword fighting. Neither flinched, for turning the head or shrinking backwards meant disgrace or possible expulsion from the corps. The swords were up again in a second, both having failed to inflict a wound, and they continued to batter at each other, each skilfully warding off the well aimed blows, but never losing an instant in striking or slashing at his opponent's head. The noise of the swords as they clashed or struck on a padded shoulder was terrific, and I expected to see every moment a sword beaten down under the powerful blow of the opposing weapon, but so great was the strength of both men, that it was about three minutes before a nasty cut over the cheek of the Zaringia or "white cap" man made the seconds strike up the fighters' swords and a hasty examination was held by the surgeons in attendance. Evidently they deemed the wound of little importance, for after the heavy flow of blood was stopped, he was sent up again to continue his battle. It is necessary for a duel to continue for fifteen minutes, before a decision (determined by blows struck) may be given, so they once more went at it; but their strength, however, being now somewhat exhausted, neither was so wary as before, and soon the blood began to flow in all directions. They had already fought for nearly ten minutes, when the taller of the two, who had throughout the whole duel maintained a slight advantage, lurched suddenly backwards, and I could tell, after the surgeon had placed his four fingers deep into the wound, and stopped the great flow of blood, that an artery had been severed, the gash being at least four inches long above the eye. The poor fellow was so weak from the shock and loss of blood, that he was led off to the surgery and the next two combatants came on.

This duel proved to be even more exciting, and when they were led off at the expiration of the fifteen minutes, both men were crimson from head to foot; one fellow was minus the tip of his nose, while the other had the upper part of the ear entirely severed. The third and fourth duels were painful to watch, blood flowing even more freely than before, but I thought nothing could compare with the final fight. This was between an immense fellow, who was regarded as one of the best fighters of the year, and a youth of but little more than five feet in height. They both started slashing with tremendous force, and each was determined to get in the greater number of blows, when suddenly the little student brought his sword up with a powerful cut from beneath, and caught his opponent a fearful blow on the chin, laying the bone bare. This would, I thought, be a vanquishing blow, but after a short consultation between the members of his corps and the surgeons, they decided to let him continue. His entire breast was covered with blood, and he was showing even more strength than before, when again did the smaller fellow bring in his undercut, this time effectually, and it made a fearful spectacle. As might be expected, he fell in the arms of his seconds and was carried off to the surgery in a fainting condition. During all the ten duels which I witnessed that morning, not one man flinched or displayed any signs of fear, although the shock and pain must have been nearly beyond endurance.

And yet the worst is not always while fighting, but in the surgery, where the poor victims undergo all sorts of tortures while having their wounds dressed, and whence they issue with the entire head bandaged, with often not a square inch of skin visible. To me, all this seemed barbarous and beyond the physical endurance of any civilized human being, but, as any German will tell you, it is their national sport, and is claimed to be productive of both courage and strength. It is really impossible to go through the streets of Heidelberg, or, in fact, of any German University town without seeing one of these students with his face hacked up in the most hideous manner. Every German student is proud of his scars, and after winning



five duels he is presented with a band of corps ribbon, which is worn over the waist coat. This excludes him from the necessity of having to fight again, unless, of course, he wishes to do so, which is often the case. A curious fact is that the more scars these "gallant" students bear upon their faces, so much the braver and handsomer do they appear in the eyes of their charming little Frauleins.

Another feature of University life is the Fackelzug, or torchlight processions, which are held on the election of the new Dean and on various festival occasions. These processions are entered into by the whole student body, and conducted in the most orderly manner. The Captains, mounted, and in full regalia, ride at the head of their corps throughout the entire city. Numerous halts are made for beer, and at the end of the evening the students assemble "en masse" in the University place, and stand with crossed swords around the piles blazing torches. Here National and Student songs are sung to the rhythmic clashing of swords, the whole making a most impressive scene.

Beyond duelling other sport is practically unknown to the German student. Football and hockey have not yet been introduced into the German Universities, although the town clubs have taken up these games to a certain extent. Tennis and rowing, however, seem to be gradually gaining numerous followers among the college men.

The evening of a "corps" student is generally spent at a beer fight, and small parties of students carouse in the various cafes and student clubs till all hours of the morning, and altogether the life led is, to them, a very jolly one. The city police have no restraint whatever over them, but the University has what is called the "Carcer" or Student Prison. This place consists of three rooms, all most artistically carved and decorated by the students when confined there. The entire ceiling and walls are covered with many names, monograms and inscriptions, which very funnily explain their breaches of the college laws. Various caricatures of professors, suspended from gallows and suffering all kinds of punishment at the hands of the students,

go to make up the weirdness of this place. The prison regulations are very slack, as a confined student is allowed to give beer parties to his friends, or if he should have tickets for the theatre, or any important engagement, he may go out and have an evening's enjoyment.

In conclusion, it is only to be hoped that the youth of Canada will never be so foolish as to adopt this continental way of settling their difficulties, or introduce it into University life as a means of exercise or entertainment.

### Alumni Notes.

W. P. Grant, M. A., who graduated last spring from Pine Hill, and obtained a Six Hundred Dollar Scholarship, from that institution, will shortly leave for Germany to pursue his studies there.

R. A. Watson, M. A., another of last Spring's Pine Hill graduates, obtained a Two Hundred Dollar Scholarship, and will this winter take advanced work in Chicago.

Rev. George Farquhar, M. A., is engaged in the work of the ministry in the congregation of Hampton and Rothsay, N. B.

Rev. L. J. King, B. A., is situated in the congregation of River Hebert and Joggins, N. S.

Rev. C. J. McInnes, B. A., is pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Caledonia, N. S.

Rev. J. A. McKeigan, B. A., is in his native Island, having been called to Port Morien, C. B.

Rev. H. W. Manuel, B. A., is in charge of the congregation of Florenceville, N. B.

Rev. A. Rettie, B. A., is also engaged in the work of the ministry at Millerton, N. B.



J. E. Read, B. A., Dalhousie's Rhodes Scholar for 1910, is in attendance at University College, Oxford.

A. D. Fraser who graduated from Dalhousie in 1910 with high honors in Latin and Greek, is attending Johns Hopkins University.

A. A. Archibald, B. A., is taking an M. A. course in Dalhousie, and teaching in the School for the Blind

C. S. Ferguson, B. A., is attending Wycliffe College, Toronto.

W. B. Rosborough, B. A., is studying Theology at Pine Hill.

**Athletics.**

The inter-faculty football league so far is creating quite a lot of excitement, due to excellent games which Law and Arts '11-'13 are playing.

In past years this league was really a one-sided affair, with the robust Medicos pulling the long end. This year, however, the other teams have decided to make the H. M. C. boys hustle, with the result that in the first game which the champions played, Arts '11-'13 walloped them to the tune of 3-0.

In the last game Capt. McKeough's warriors struck the gait with a vengeance, causing the haughty senior and Soph aggregation to take the count by a score of 12-0.

Following is the league standing :

	Won.	Lost.	To Play.
Arts '11-'13.....	3	0	3
Medicine.....	2	1	3
Law .....	1	2	3
Arts '12-'14.....	0	3	3

DALHOUSIE 8. CRESCENTS 0.

In the double-headed exhibition of football played on the Wanderers grounds here Saturday, Oct. 15th, both the varsity teams were successful. The seniors defeated the Crescents 8-0, while the intermediates took their Blue and Black competitors into camp by a score of 13-0.

The collegians were greatly strengthened by the presence of Norman Ralston, who has returned to the Technical College, and whose playing was a tower of strength to the team.

Several new faces adorned our line up; R. O. Bethune, who successfully led last year's second team to victory, played Frank Archibald's position at quarter, and showed fine form throughout the game; Archibald on the half line, Nicholson and Knowlton in the scrim also played good clean games.

The Crescents, due to the fact of their amalgamation with the army, had a strong forward line and played an exceptionally good defensive game throughout.

With only a minute of the first half left to play, Ralston with a quick pass sent the ball to Little, who made a nice run, passed to Crowe, to Archibald, the latter doing the trick amidst great applause.

In the second half the Crescents came back strong, but could not score, Ralston going out for the next and last try shortly after the commencement of the last half.

The game ended 8-0 in favor of the collegians.

Line up :

Dalhousie.		Crescents.
Churchill.	Full-back	Smith.
Crowe.	Halves	Hunter.
Little.		Smith.
Archibald.		Bowser.
Cavanagh.		Keefer.
Ralston.	Quarters	Brown.
Bethune.		Bourne.
Thomas.		McQuilian.
Nicholson.		Satchell.
McKay.	Forwards	Robinson.
McLeod.		Ryan.
Forbes.		Lawlor.
Davis.		McDougall.
McKenzie.		Gray.
Knowlton.		Doherty.



## DALHOUSIE 13. CRESCENTS 0.

The second game was a walkover for Captain Gregory and his satellites, as the Crescents seemed outclassed right through the game, going down to defeat by score of 13-0.

Mylius, Doc MacDonnell and the captain were the shining stars for the winners, the former gentlemen doing all the scoring.

Mr. Doyle of the Wanderers refereed the game.

Line up:

Dalhousie.		Crescents.
W. Ross,	Full-back.	McDougall,
J. Stairs,	Halves.	Palmer,
Cowan,		Allum,
Macdonnell,		Fraser,
Billman,	Quarters.	Albert,
Mylius,		Monaghan,
Sutherland,		Carroll,
Weatherbee,	Forwards.	Lane,
Swanson,		Fraser,
Marsters,		Hymen,
Gass,		Phelan,
McKay,		Connors,
Tompkins,		Brunt,
Salter.		
Seaman.		

## FIELD DAY.

The field day sports, held under the auspices of the Dalhousie Amateur Athletic Association, Tuesday afternoon, October 18th, on the Wanderers' grounds, proved a grand success.

The afternoon having been proclaimed a University half-holiday, all the students together with their many friends, (male and female), turned out *en masse*, and gave vent to their class yells, with true university éclat.

The afternoon was exceptionally fine for an Athletic meet of the kind. Besides the regular prizes which were awarded to

the winners of first and second positions, an individual prize was also offered by Morton and Cragg, the well known sporting firm of the city, to the competitor securing the highest number of points.

This prize was captured by D. J. Nicholson, a staunch, stalwart, six foot three specimen of our Cape Breton pioneers. Far away midst the vales of Scottish heather, the stout ancestors of the brawny celt had competed in their annual highland game. And well for "Big Nick" that they did, for the tutoring which he had received, as when a little boy, climbing a fond parent's knee, he heard the wonderful tales of far-away athletic competitions, when men of muscle struggle against men of muscle, and when ability to win meant more the possession of superhuman endurance, than any of our more modernly scientific and artificial acquirements, which of late seem to completely replace that antiquated method of obtaining victory, fared him well in the different events. He succeeded in procuring ten points, while Seymour McKenzie was a close second with nine. The shot put was the only event in which the college record was broken.

The following is a summary of the events and winners:—

## 100 YARDS DASH.

1st Heat—1st, McKay, 2nd, Brean. Time, 11½.

2nd Heat—1st McKenzie, 2nd Archibald. Time 11½.

Final heat of 100 yards dash.—1st, S. G. McKenzie, Med. '14; 2nd, S. Brean, Med. '15; 3rd, J. McKay, Arts '14. Time, 11 secs.

## BROAD JUMP.

1st, F. Moore, Med. '15; 2nd, S. Brean, Med. '15; 3rd, R. E. Day, Arts '12. 16 feet 10 inches.

## 220 YARDS DASH.

1st, S. G. McKenzie, Med. '14; 2nd, D. J. Nicholson, Arts '13; 3rd, S. Brean, Med. '15. Time, 25½ sec.

## HIGH JUMP.

1st, Marsters, Arts '12; 2nd, Guilford, Arts '13; 3rd, Nicholson, Arts '12. Height, 4 ft. 10½ inches.



## HALF MILE RUN.

1st, A. James, Arts '13; 2nd, C. Gass, Arts '11; 3rd, McCabe, Arts '12. Time, 2 minutes 16 sec.

## SHOT PUT.

1st, D. Nicholson; 2nd, Cowan; 3rd, Guilford. 35 ft. 5 ins.

In this event Mr. Nicholson, by an exhibition throw, created a new college record for the event. The previous record was 34 ft. 6½ inches.

Mr. Nicholson's distance was 35 ft. 5 inches.

## QUARTER MILE RUN.

1st, McKenzie; 2nd, Nicholson; 3rd, Brean. Time, 59 secs.

## HOP, STEP AND JUMP.

1st, L. Meach, Med. '15; 2nd, Moore, Med. '15; 3rd, Kemp, Arts '14. 36 ft. 6½ inches.

## MILE RUN.

1st, L. Meach, Med. '15; 2nd, J. Weatherbe, Arts '11. Time, 5 minutes 43 secs.

## POLE VAULT.

1st, Kemp; 2nd, Moore; 3rd, Nicholson. Distance, 7 ft. 11½.

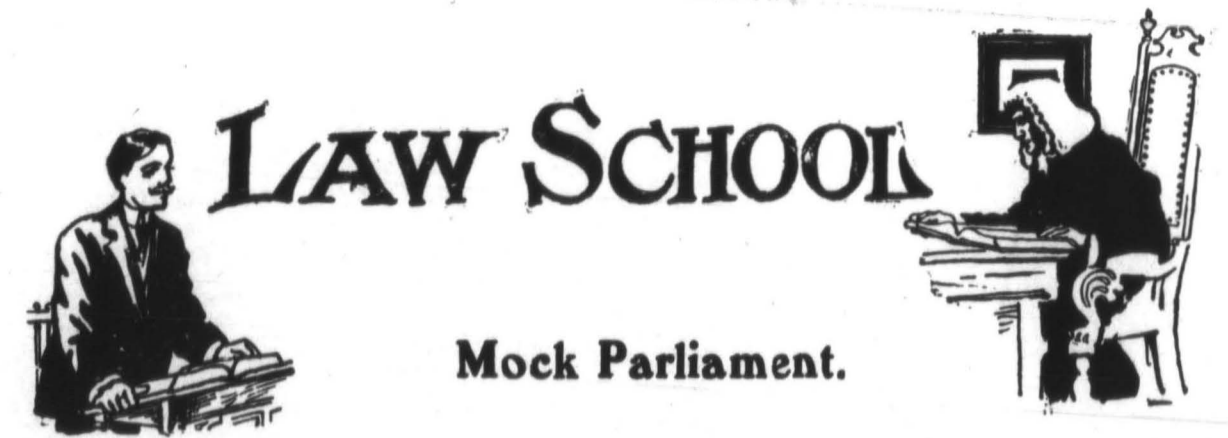
Mr. J. W. McGrath of St. John's, Newfoundland, gave an exhibition jump, but owing to the pole breaking he could not possibly repeat the exhibition, much to the crowd's dismay.

## MILE WALK.

1st, Robinson, Law '12; 2nd, Day, Arts '12; 3rd, Nicholson, Arts '11. Time, 9 min. 16 secs.

## RELAY.

Relay was won by Arts '11-'13, with Weatherbee, Fraser, McCurdy and James running for them. Lebb, '13.



The House met in the Law Library on October third, at 8. p. m. The Speaker being absent, the member from Colchester, Mr. Thomas, was elected Speaker *pro tem*.

Mr. Ralston (Nipissing), was chosen by his followers to lead His Majesty's Loyal Opposition. Mr. Christie was elected Sergeant-at-Arms.

After the Speaker had read the speech from the throne, Mr. Newcombe (Hants), moved an address in reply to the speech from the throne. He dealt ably with the questions before the House, and predicted a year of progress.

The member from Kings, Mr. Robinson, seconded the address in reply to the speech from the throne. He paid a high tribute to His Late Majesty, Edward VII.

The Hon. Leader of the Opposition then rose and congratulated the gentlemen who had just spoken. He dealt with the proposed legislation, scoring it severely. Mr. McIsaac (Antigonish), also spoke in opposition to the proposals of the government.

The Premier, Hon. D. A. MacLennan, congratulated the mover and seconder of the address, as well as the leader of the Opposition, but greatly differed with the latter in his views of legislation. The honorable gentleman showed very clearly the high ideals of the proposed legislation.

The Hon. A. E. MacKinnon, Minister of Justice, spoke in favor of, and Mr. D. C. Sinclair (Pictou), against the government measures proposed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Keefe, Minister of Finance, the House adjourned.



October 10th. The House met in the Moot Court Room at the usual hour, the Hon. Speaker, Mr. Fenwick, in the chair.

The Hon. Mr. Keefe, Minister of Finance, resumed the debate on the address.

The member from Lunenburg (Mr. Martell), spoke in opposition to the proposed legislation. Several bitter statements on his part had to be withdrawn.

The question before the House was put and carried.

The Hon. A. E. MacKinnon, Minister of Justice, moved the second reading of a bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Criminal Code;" that the words "sentence of death" be struck out, and "imprisonment for life" substituted. The honorable member spoke feelingly of the evils of capital punishment in this country and elsewhere.

The Hon. Mr. Dysart, Minister of Public Works, seconded the above bill.

Mr. McIsaac (Antigonish), and the Hon. Mr. Ralston, Leader of the Opposition, spoke against the bill.

On motion of Mr. Newcombe (Hants), the House adjourned.

October 17. The House met at the usual hour, Speaker Fenwick in the chair.

Mr. Owen (East Quebec), gave notice that he would ask the following questions at the next session of the House:

1. Of the Minister of Finance, the intention of the government in regard to paper currency.

2. Of the Minister of Justice, (a) the annual cost of penitentiaries in the Dominion of Canada; (b) whether or not the government intended to establish Juvenile Criminal Courts.

Mr. Martell (Lunenburg), gave notice that he would ask the Hon. Minister of Marine and Fisheries, at the next session, what was being done to foster the fisheries of the country, especially the propagation of lobsters.

The Hon. Leader of the Opposition inquired in regard to the vacancy in the Cabinet, and as to what relief the government proposed to give the town of Campbellton.

Mr. Rice (Digby), inquired concerning mail routes on the Bay of Fundy coast.

Mr. Martell (Lunenburg), asked the Hon. Premier what his position was in regard to prohibition. He received the assurance that the matter would be dealt with at a later date.

Mr. Newcombe (Hants), resumed the debate adjourned from last session. He supported the bill at length, showing its benefit to Canada.

The Hon. Leader of the Opposition, and Mr. McIsaac (Antigonish), spoke strongly against the bill.

The Hon. Premier then spoke in support of the bill. He said that the fear of imprisonment for life would do more to prevent the crime of murder than the fear of death.

Mr. Martell (Lunenburg), in an eloquent address, opposed the bill. He cited France as an example of a country which has found the abolition of the death penalty unsatisfactory, and has returned to capital punishment.

The Hon. Mr. Smiley (Postmaster General), spoke in support of the bill, answering the arguments of the last speaker.

The question was put before the House, and carried.

On motion, the House adjourned.

### Law Students' Society.

Pursuant to a request of five members, a special meeting of the Law Students' Society was called on October 18th. Mr. Owen, chairman of the Dalhousie Law Review Committee, reported that the committee had, after due investigation, decided that the plan of having a Law School Paper was not feasible at the present time.

The position of the Law School in reference to the Sodales Debating Society, was discussed. Mr. Mavor stated that it had been decided not to carry on the inter-class league this year.

Mr. Mavor also spoke of the plan of the Gazette Editors to issue a special number of the Gazette, containing a picture of each graduate, and a short history of his college career. A



committee consisting of three members of the graduating class Messrs. Owen, McIsaac and McGrath, was appointed to confer with committees from the other faculties.

The principal question before the meeting, the annual function, was then brought up. It was moved by Mr. Owen and seconded by Mr. MacNeil, that the annual function for this year be a dance. A very lively discussion followed. An amendment was moved by Mr. Boyd, to the effect that the Society hold both a dance and a dinner. An amendment to the amendment was moved by Mr. Fenwick and seconded by Mr. McGrath, that the annual function be a dinner.

On the motion being put, the amendment to the amendment carried, 25 voting for it, and 15 against.

The following committee was appointed to arrange for the Dinner: Messrs. Thomas, Burns, McNeil, MacLennan and Forbes.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

### College Notes.

**D. A. A. C.**—October 12th. The regular semi-annual meeting was held in the Munro Room. The main business was the election of new officers to fill vacancies arising from various sources.

Those elected were:—

Vice-President. J. J. McRitchie in place of J. M. Stewart, B.A.

Executive Members. A. O. Thomas B. A., and F. R. Davis instead of S. G. McKenzie and P. R. Flemming.

Field Committee. Prof. H. L. Bronson instead of Prof. A. S. McKenzie.

Trophy Committee. S. G. McKenzie in place of N. C. Ralston.

Auditor. I. S. Ralston instead of F. R. Davis.

The President, Mr. E. M. Forbes, spoke *emphatically* regarding the lack of interest shown in Athletics by the students in general and recommended the calling of a mass meeting in the near future to discuss the question.

**Y. M. C. A.**—October 8th. The attendance at the opening meeting was gratifying. The speaker for the evening was Mr. P. F. Moriarty, Secretary of the City Y. M. C. A. He gave an able and spirited address and received close attention. Mr. J. C. McDonald, President of the College Association was chairman.

October 15th. Mr. E. J. O. Fraser gave an excellent discourse on the subject "Students' Opportunities." Several others spoke briefly. The attendance was fair.

**Sodales**—October 6th. The opening meeting of the society brought out a large audience which promises well for debating at Dalhousie. The President, Mr. J. S. Mavor, made a short speech outlining the programme for the term. He then introduced the speaker for the evening, Mr. Justice Longley. The learned judge gave an excellent address touching on the benefits to be derived from debating societies and offering some helpful suggestions for the consideration of Sodales.

At the conclusion of his address the Justice was tendered a hearty vote of thanks.

**U. S. C.**—October 10th. A special meeting was called for the purpose of amending the constitution of the University Students Council to such an extent as to make the appointment of an Assistant Business Manager to the Gazette legal. It was unanimously decided to so amend it.

Mr. W. M. Nelson, Arts '13, was chosen to fill the office for the year.

Mr. Nelson entered on his duties immediately.

**Arts and Science.**—October 7th. The subject for discussion at the opening meeting was: "Resolved, that the acquirement of the City Home property by Dalhousie would be in the best interests of the University."

Messrs. A. A. McKenzie and J. K. Murchison supported the resolution while it was opposed by Messrs. Brownell and Milne.

The following spoke in the general discussion. Messrs. Bell, M. R. McGregor, Sylvester, James and Graham.

The resolution was defeated.

Mr. J. A. Weatherbee was critic.

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October 14th. The subject was: "Resolved, that moving-picture shows are detrimental to the morals of the land."

The resolution was upheld by Messrs. Knowlton and Nelson and opposed by Messrs. J. C. McDonald and M. R. McGregor.

Messrs. Parker, E. J. Fraser, Sylvester, D. McCurdy and Leslie McLean spoke in the discussion.

The resolution was lost.

Mr. E. J. Fraser acted as critic.

### Y. M. C. A. "At Home."

The annual Y. M. C. A. "At Home," held in the College on the evening of October 7th, served a double purpose, that of welcoming the new students and re-uniting the old.

The "Munro Room" and the "Arts Library," which were the centres of attraction, were tastefully decorated in black and yellow with the letters composing "Y. M. C. A." and "Welcome" arranged in prominent places.

All students were invited and almost all came. They were received by the chaperons, Mrs. Murray and Mrs. Jones, assisted by Miss Outhit, President of the College Y. W. C. A. and President McDonald of the Y. M. C. A.

Some time was spent in getting acquainted and then the topic-cards were filled, there being ten regular topics and two extras. During topic five came the programme. President McDonald, the first speaker, extended a hearty welcome to the new students. He was followed by Rev. Dr. Forrest, who in his usual happy style assured the students that the hospitality of "22 Tobin St." was always open to a Dalhousian. Miss Johnson then sang a beautiful solo after which Prof. Bronson in a neat speech responded on behalf of the Freshmen.

At the conclusion of the programme refreshments were served and then topics were renewed until about midnight when the gathering dispersed, unanimously agreeing on the success of the evening.

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### Freshy-Soph At Home.

The Freshy-Soph At Home took place on Friday, October 14th, and was one of the most enjoyable functions of the kind given in years. A large number of invitations were issued, and the committee are to be congratulated on the success of the whole affair, and particularly on the artistic decorations, in which the class emblems of 1913 predominated. The Ladies' Waiting Room was thrown open for the occasion, and the Munro Room looked remarkably well. The curtained alcove where the piano stood was a pleasing novelty. The music was good, the floor perfect, and the programme all too short.

The chaperons were Mrs. Magill and Mrs. Macneill.

Professor MacKay's witty speech received much applause. He was followed by Mr. Frank Graham, President of the Sophomore class, and Mr. Guildford sang a charming baritone solo.

Shortly after midnight the guests dispersed, the lights in the old college went out, and one more Freshy-Soph At Home became a thing of the past.

### Junior Sail.

Monday evening, October third, marked the beginning of the Juniors' Social year. Following the usual custom, the first event was the annual sailing excursion.

Punctually at eight o'clock a gay party, consisting of the Juniors and a few favoured friends, assembled at South Street wharf. Here the pilot for the evening, Mrs. Macneill, assumed charge. All took passage on the good ship "Togo" and sailed for the land of enjoyment.

The night was perfect and the two hour sail was enjoyed by everyone. Topic-cards were distributed and filled, and these, with the college songs, whiled the time away only too quickly.

The best things must end, and the sail was no exception. An adjournment was made from the "Togo" to "Patrick's". Here

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a feast fit for the gods was served. Supper over, President McLeod addressed the company in his usual eloquent manner. He was followed by Professor Macneill, in a neat, witty speech. Several others then spoke briefly.

All were loathe to leave, but the hour grew late. "Auld Lang Syne" was sung heartily. Then came cheers for Professor and Mrs. Macneill, followed by the 1912 yell. The last (but not the least), number on the programme was "Good Night, Ladies".

All credit to the committee.

### Junior Walking Party.

The class of 1912 held their walking party on the evening of Thursday, October 22nd. Although the weather was not all that might be desired, though the moon refused to shine and the rain descended, yet these things did not in the least dampen the spirits of the Juniors.

Mrs. Magill as chaperone added greatly to the success of the evening.

After walking around the Point, the party adjourned to the home of Mrs. G. E. Faulkner, 49 South Park Street, where a delicious supper was served. When the usual speeches had been made, the class broke up with "Auld Lang Syne," one and all going home "tired, but happy," and voting the 1912 walking party a great success.

### 1911 Boat Sail.

It is generally believed that the Junior class at college has the monopoly for social events and good times during the season. But, though the studious Seniors are supposed to have renounced all such affairs, they too occasionally indulge in a little fun.

Such was the case on Wednesday afternoon, October 12, when a number of couples wended their way to Campbell's wharf, bent on an enjoyable afternoon.

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Not a dull moment was spent from the time the students, accompanied by Mrs. Macneill as chaperon, boarded the sailing ship until their return. The wind was high, the sun bright, and altogether the day was an excellent one for sailing. Well wrapped up in sweater coats, over-coats and boat rugs, all were comfortable, and if by any chance the cold did penetrate all these, it was soon dispelled by the cherry fire in the cabin.

After a delightful three hour trip, the vessel, which had been ably controlled by Mr. Jones, was at last moored at the wharf.

There in the cabin the students did full justice to the bean supper provided, and the boys did not mind the inconvenience they had to put up with in carrying for a mile or so a bulky bean crock.

When supper was over, Mr. Hugh Bell kindly invited everyone to his home to spend the evening. The invitation was greeted with a cheer. A fine time was spent in dancing and other amusements, and finally, all went homewards voting the 1911 boat-sail one of the most enjoyable events of their college career.

### Around the Halls.

A certain discontent with the existing order of things is a good indication, provided that that unrest tends to the betterment of things as they are. This spirit of dissatisfaction, however, goes too far, when it attempts to interfere with the bulletin boards of the University halls. This year, as in former years, it is to be regretted that some persons seem to feel themselves called upon to deface notices of meetings and other announcements by scribbling on them and otherwise changing the wording, sometimes with disastrous results. Recently a notice of a meeting was posted, and marked by some interferer, "Postponed." As a result several remained away and missed a meeting at which they very much desired to be present. Other instances might be quoted. Let every student try to preserve, rather than destroy, all matter on our bulletin boards.

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Too often, around the halls, we see the officers of the different debating societies urging and even pleading with the students to take part in the debates. Such should not be the case, for it is often difficult enough to secure proper subjects, without having to beg the boys to speak on them.

Almost everyone says "Oh, I'm too busy," or "I haven't the time" to attend the societies. Strange to say, it is the busiest men in college who are the mainstays of the different organizations. Perhaps some of the students cannot spare the time, but how about these who lounge about the halls, gossiping while the meetings are in progress? Think this over, boys.

It does not speak well for sport at Dalhousie when only ten or twelve men can be found to play on a football team, *supposed* to represent two Arts classes, each of which contains over thirty boys.

### "YOUR Presence Requested."

In order to stimulate interest and break the monotony of the weekly debates, the Sodales Debating Society Executive has procured the services of several distinguished public speakers to address the students once a month. When possible these addresses will be given on the first Thursday evening of each month. The speakers will choose subjects of general interest to everybody. No student who desires to combine pleasure with instruction will neglect to attend these meetings.

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The exchange editor regrets that so few of this year's exchanges have yet come to hand. It will be our ambition to make this department one of general interest. We trust our contemporaries will not hesitate to favor us with their criticism. Whatever comments we may see fit to make will be prompted by a spirit of broad mindedness and a full belief in our own imperfections.

The October number of *Stevens Indicator* contains a very complimentary sketch of Professor A. Stanley Mackenzie's career as an educationist.

Professor Clarence L. Moore, M. A., is the subject of an interesting article in the October issue of the *Educational Review*.

The *McGill Martlet* begins another year of its illustrious history with two very creditable numbers. Its pages are brighter and breezier than ever. Some of the items in the "Rediscovered Fossils" department, are worthy of a place in the famous journals of wit and humor.

Other exchanges received with pleasure are, *The Varsity*, *The Merchistonian*, *Stanton College Magazine*, *The Scientific American*, *The Canadian Mining Journal*.

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Freshie H - yd - n.—“Gosh that hard hat cost \$2.99.”

Freshie M——, at first meeting of '14 class,—“I nominate that girl cross in the corner with the white waist and brown skirt on as our Vice President.” You have the goods, Freshie.

Professor in opening lecture.—“I want you to understand that you cannot possibly understand this, unless you understand it.”

Pres. F. (after arranging class alphabetically, to M - rr - s - n). “Yes, yes, Mr. M - rr - s - n, you are in the right church, but in the wrong pew.

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Freshie McL - - d waltzes like a - - - - - nightmare.

What do you know about it? Mama wanted poor little Freshie H - yd - n home, Papa was sick and she could not see what the naughty Sophs. wanted with Frankie. “He is never allowed out after dark, you know.”

Freshie K - rk, when the rude Sophs were taking him from his father, weepingly;—“All right, father, I must go. Don't you sit up for me.”

Freshie All - s - n gave a very fine rendering of “Anybody here seen Kelly”. The management of the Halifax Hotel sent out a cooky to Mr. A——.

History Professor.—“Who was the first Emperor of Rome.”  
Y - - m - n (excitedly), Julius Cæsar.

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President F - rr - st, (lecturing on the Yellow Peril).—"The Yellow Peril will never come to a head so long as China remains asleep like Mr. V - - r.

Mr. V - - r snores.

Pres. F - rr - st, (continuing)—"Wake up, Mr. V - - r don't act the Chinaman."

The following brilliant creation of a Freshie was found on the Bulletin Board.

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The Ladies present at the field-day sports were greatly excited to hear Mr. V - - r announce that J. A. McC - b - , entered the sports "unattached".

President F - rr - st, (in History I.)—"If I had to choose between an Egyptian mummy and the mummy of one of you, I would take the Egyptian every time."

Hard lines, History I.

Who was the Freshman at the Y. M. Social, who let his partner for topic ten go home alone?

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Oh you, G - df - - y!

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Freshie McGr - th, who weighs 57 lbs. 5 ozs., with his pants and braces on, was the star performer in Friday's scrim.

All the girls say after having heard Freshie Br - tt - n sing before the hash slingers of the "Queen": "What a lovely voice Mr. Br - tt - n has".

The appearance of Freshies McK-y, McL - - n, and St-dd-rt, dressed in Indian costume with war paint, was picturesque, and struck terror to the hearts of all the children present at the grand recital of these gentlemen.

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Take it from us, gentle reader, and look for pastry and tomato spots in the first '14 class picture you see.

Freshie H-yd-n, (to President):—"Gosh, sir, can't a Freshman wear a hard hat."

President:—"You had better wear it only on Sundays, young man, for if you wear it to College it will fade away."

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